ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION TO PAY CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES INCIDENT TO OPERATION OF COAST GUARD VESSELS

## COMMUNICATION

FROM

## THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY TO PAY CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES BY COLLISION OR DAMAGES INCIDENT TO THE OPERATION OF VESSELS OF UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

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> THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, March 4, 1939.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress estimates of appropriations submitted by the Treasury Department to pay claims for damages by collision or damages incident to the operation of vessels of United States Coast Guard, in the sum of \$75.44 which have been considered and adjusted under the provisions of the act of June 15, 1936 (U.S. C., title 14, sec. 71) and which require appropriations for their payment.

Respectfully,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET, Washington, February 27, 1939.

The PRESIDENT, The White House.

Sir: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration estimates of appropriations submitted by the Treasury Department to pay claims for damages by collision or damages incident to the operation of vessels of the United States Coast Guard, which have been considered and adjusted under the provisions of the act of June 15, 1936 (U. S. C., title 14, sec. 71), and which require appropriations for their payment as follows:

Claims for damages, operation of vessels, Coast Guard, and Public Health Service: To pay claims for damages adjusted and determined by the Secretary of the Treasury under the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment and settlement of certain claims for damages resulting from the operation of vessels of the Coast Guard and the Public Health Service, in sums not exceeding \$3,000 in any one case," approved June 15, 1936, as fully set forth in H. Doc. No. —, 76th Cong

The letters of the Treasury Department submitting these claims are transmitted herewith.

In accordance with the provisions of the act providing for this submission, I recommend that these estimates be transmitted to Congress.

Very respectfully,

D. W. Bell, Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Washington, February 14, 1939.

The ACTING DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF THE BUDGET.

S<sub>IR</sub>: There is transmitted herewith for your consideration with a view to its submission to Congress, an estimate of appropriation in the amount of \$75.44, under the provisions of the act approved June 15, 1936, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment and settlement of certain claims for damages resulting from the operation of vessels of the Coast Guard and the Public Health Service," in sums not exceeding \$3,000 in any one case (U. S. C., title 14, sec. 71) as follows:

This estimate arises out of the following claims accruing since June 15, 1936, and presented within 1 year from the date of their accrual, on account of damages incident to the operation of vessels of the United States Coast Guard, and for which damage the said vessels were found to be responsible.

## COAST GUARD

Claim of Olaf Danielsen\_\_\_\_\_\$20

On January 17, 1938, the United States Coast Guard patrol boat CG-265 while alongside the fish boat  $No.\ 29-N-761$ , for the purpose of inspection, fouled the net being operated by the fish boat. It has been determined that the accident was the result of negligence on the part of the officer commanding the patrol boat in allowing his boat to go alongside in a manner that endangered the net while it was being pulled in. Olaf Danielsen, Clatskanie, Oreg., owner of the damaged net, has submitted a certified bill for \$20 covering damages as the re-

sult of the accident, the amount of the above claim, which is considered just and reasonable.

Claim of Frank C. Paine\_\_\_\_\_ \$55.44

On July 3, 1938, the United States Coast Guard Patrol boat Harriet Lane, while approaching the yacht Galatea, lying at anchor near Marblehead, Mass., for the purpose of receiving a list of entrants in a yacht race, struck the starboard davit and dinghy of the yacht, causing damage in the amount of \$41.84. Furthermore, on July 7, 1938, the patrol boat CG-211, while anchored near the finish line of the yacht races near Morgan Bay, Maine, in the vicinity of the Galatea, for the purpose of patrolling the races, dragged her anchor and drifted down upon the stem of the yacht, causing damage to the extent of \$13.60. It has been determined that both the Harriet Lane and CG-211 were responsible for the damage caused to the Galatea, the former on account of negligence in maneuvering and the latter in being improperly anchored. Frank C. Paine, Boston, Mass., owner of the yacht Galatea, has submitted certified bills for \$41.84 and \$13.60, respectively, covering repairs as the result of the above accidents, totaling \$55.44, the amount of the above claim, which is considered just and reasonable.

The above claims have been submitted to the General Counsel for the Treasury, who has rendered opinions to the effect that they fall

within the provisions of the act of June 15, 1936.

In view of the facts as above stated, the above claims in the amount of \$75.44 are certified for submission to Congress as legal claims against the United States, which have been considered, ascertained, adjusted, and determined by me, under and by virtue of the act of June 15, 1936, above mentioned.

Very truly yours,

Stephen B. Gibbons, Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

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